

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph consisting of page 7, line 16 as follows:

FIG. 14 is a front view of the fan of the present clipping device; ~~and~~

Please amend the paragraph consisting of page 7, line 17 as follows:

FIG. 15 is a side elevational view of the fan of FIG. 14; ~~;~~

Please insert the following paragraphs after page 7, line 17 as follows:

FIG. 16 is a fragmentary end view of an alternate embodiment of the clipper of

FIG. 3; and

FIG. 17 is a cross-section taken along the line 17-17 of FIG. 16 and in the direction indicated generally.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 11 as follows:

Referring now to FIGs. 4-8B, the cam follower 62 is generally "H"-shaped when viewed from above and has a generally planar blade contact member 64, from which the follower chamber 60 projects normally, and a blade contact surface 66 opposite the side from which the follower chamber 60 projects. The blade contact surface 66 includes locating lugs 68 for engaging at least one and preferably two moving blades 70, 72. FIG. 17 is a cross-section taken along the line 17-17 of FIG. 16 and in the direction indicated generally.

To account for manufacturing and/or alignment differences between the two moving blades 70, 72, at least one and preferably several leveling ribs 74 are provided on the blade contact surface 66. When multiple ribs are provided at a specified end of the cam follower 62, it is

important that they be positioned along a common line. In a preferred embodiment, the ribs 74 are elongate for engaging the surface of the corresponding moving blade. An important function of the ribs 74 is engaging the moving blades 70, 72 to take up space caused by differences in manufacturing tolerances of the moving blades and exerting uniform force in biasing each moving blade against at least one stationary blade ~~76~~ 28. While the number of ribs 74 may vary to suit the application, where two moving blades 70, 72 are employed, it is contemplated that two ribs are provided for each moving blade, with a total of four ribs for the device 10.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 17 as follows:

As is seen in FIGs. 2 and 4, the moving blades 70, 72 are disposed in the bladeset 26 so that the respective cutting edges 86, 88 are in back-to-back relationship to each other. In this context, "back-to-back" refers to a preferred approximately 180° disposition of one moving blade relative to the other. Other relative angular dispositions of the moving blades are contemplated depending on the application. FIG. 17 is a cross-section taken along the line 17-17 of FIG. 16 and in the direction indicated generally.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 3 as follows:

As indicated above, in a preferred embodiment, the device 10 is provided with the wide cutting edge 32 and the narrow cutting edge 34. This is for allowing the user to be able to perform "gross" trimming of a beard, moustache, sideburns or the like with a wide

edge, as well as fine edge or detail trimming with a relatively narrower edge. In the context of this application, the terms "blade" or "cutting edge" will refer to conventional types of clipper blades with a plurality of spaced teeth, as are well known in the art. The cutting action of the clipping device is obtained by linear reciprocal movement of one set of teeth relative to the other. The size and type of the first and second edges 32, 34 may be changed as desired, both blades might be the same size and type, or reversed, depending on the application. It is also contemplated that the pitch or spacing of teeth of the respective blades may also vary to suit the application, as is known in the art. As indicated above, while a single stationary blade 28 is preferred, it is also contemplated that dual or other multiple arrangements of stationary blades could be employed ~~as is indicated by the phantom line 28' in FIG. 3.~~ FIG. 17 is a cross-section taken along the line 17-17 of FIG. 16 and in the direction indicated generally. Additional mounting holes 92 ~~would be~~ are provided as needed. In other respects, the embodiment of FIG. 16 corresponds to, and is contemplated as being interchangeable with that of FIG. 3.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 15 as follows:

Referring now to FIGs. 2 and 9-13, the comb assembly 122 will be described in greater detail. As is known in the art, replaceable attachment combs are known for hair clipping devices, as exemplified in commonly assigned U.S. Patent No. ~~6,079,013~~ 6,079,103, incorporated by reference, and are used for assisting the user in obtaining hair cut to a uniform length.